

I am strongly opposed to Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air the documentary "Stolen Honor", clear political propaganda against Democratic nominee John Kerry, just days before the election. This is a clear misuse of their license and a prime example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair's top executives, including members of the controlling Smith family, have been strong financial supporters of Bush's campaign. This documentary also has strong ties to people involved in the making of the "Swift Boat" ads which were also critical of Kerry. Airing of this documentary is not even-handed, fair and balanced news reporting, which used to be the tradition in this country, but nothing more than misuse of corporate power to force its local stations to air the company's own conservative viewpoints.

Please take action to stop the airing of this documentary.

Thank you for your assistance and continued efforts to maintain the airwaves for the public rather than for the corporate powers.